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5                    The invention concerns a clamping and/or braking device with a housing, in which at  
6    least one plate-like element is held, supported at a first end opposite a stop area of the housing.  
7    A second end transfers clamping and/or braking forces to an object, or acts on a pressurizable  
8    element, which transfers clamping and/or braking forces to an object. The plate-like element has  
9    at least one bending area which is convex in the starting state, which is constructed pressure-  
10   resistant and nevertheless elastically deformable so that the bending area forms an elastic  
11   element between the stop area of the housing and a pressurizing end of the plate-like element. A  
12   pressure space is formed between the convex side of the bending area and the housing. Some  
13   embodiments include multiple plate-like elements.

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